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TOWN OF HERNDON ISSUES RFP SEEKING ARTS ORGANIZATION TO OPERATE FUTURE ARTS CENTER

Herndon, VA (April 18, 2017) – The Town of Herndon has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking a non-profit arts related organization to operate, manage and conduct arts programming in an Arts Center that is envisioned as part of Herndon's redeveloped downtown.

The center is included as part of a redevelopment plan for 4.675 acres in Herndon's downtown (between Station and Center streets, just north of Elden Street). The town has selected Comstock Partners to redevelop the land into a mixed-use development with 281 apartment units, 17,600 sq. ft. of retail space, a 761-space parking garage, and a town-owned, 18,000 sq. ft. arts center. The vision for the town-owned center includes gallery and classroom space, a theatre, and a television studio.

Following completion of negotiations with the town, Comstock anticipates breaking ground on the redevelopment project in May 2018, to complete in summer 2019.

Non-profit arts groups located with a 25-mile radius of downtown Herndon are encouraged to respond to the RFP. Responses are due Monday, May 15, at 4pm EDT. An optional preproposal meeting will be held on Monday, April 24. Information on the project, as well as the complete RFP, may be found on the town's website at http://herndon-va.gov/departments/finance/purchasing.

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